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IN RE APPLICATION: Kazuyuki ICHIKAWA, et al.

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EXAMINER: BINDA, G

FOR: SHAFT AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

LETTER SUBMITTING REPLACEMENT DRAWING SHEET(S)

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Alexandria, VA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the below indicated communication, the following drawing sheets are submitted herewith:

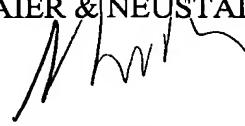
- 3 Replacement Drawing Sheets _____ New Drawing Sheets
- Official Action dated January 31, 2005
- Notice of Allowance/Issue Fee dated _____
- Other dated _____

The changes and/or modifications made include the following:

The attached three sheets of drawings include changes to Figs. 3-7. The first sheet, which includes Figs. 3 and 4, replaces the original sheet including the same figures and includes two changes. The second sheet, which includes Figs. 5 and 6, replaces the original sheet including the same figures and includes two changes. The reference numeral 10 in Figs. 3-6 has respectively been changed to 10', 10", 10"" and 10"". The third sheet, which includes Fig. 7, replaces the original sheet including Fig. 7 and adds the legend "Prior Art".

Respectfully Submitted,

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